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BEFORE THE POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

MODIFICATION OF MAIL CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE FOR COUNTRY PRICE LISTS FOR INTERNATIONAL MAIL

Docket No. MC2016-10

NOTICE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE OF CLASSIFICATION CHANGES

(October 22, 2015)

Pursuant to 39 C.F.R. §§ 3020.90,¹ the United States Postal Service (Postal Service) hereby gives notice of a minor change in classification governing the Country Price Lists for International Mail in Part D of the Mail Classification Schedule (MCS). There are three parts to the minor change, which are intended to go into effect on January 17, 2016, with the recently filed competitive published price change filed in Docket No.CP2016-9.²

The first part of the minor classification change creates a separate country listing for Bonaire, St. Eustatius, and Saba, because of a new designated operator for these three islands. The mailing services and price groupings are as follows: Single-Piece First-Class Mail International service (9); First-Class Package International Service (9); Global Express Guaranteed service (7); Priority Mail Express International service and Priority Mail International service (9); International Priority Airmail service (17); and International Surface Air Lift service (17); as well as mailing services and pricing groupings for Priority Mail Express International Flat Rate Envelope (8) and Priority Mail International Flat Rate Envelopes and Boxes (8) that are in accordance with the recently

¹ See PRC Order No. 2543, Order Adopting Final Rules on Changes and Corrections to the Mail Classification Schedule, Docket No. RM2015-6, June 16, 2015.

² Notice of the United States Postal Service of Changes in Rates of General Applicability for Competitive Products Established in Governors' Decision No. 15-1, Docket No. CP2016-9, October 16, 2015.

filed competitive published price change filed in Docket No. CP2016-9.³ Changes to the International Mail Manual to add Bonaire, St. Eustatius, and Saba as a separate country are scheduled to be published in the *Postal Bulletin* on December 10, 2015, and will become effective on January 17, 2016.

The second part of the minor classification change revises the country rate group for IPA and ISAL service from 13 to 17 for Curacao, as well as Sint Maarten, in accordance with the information concerning IPA and ISAL service to Curacao and Sint Maarten that currently appears in Exhibit 292.45a and Exhibit 293.45a of the International Mail Manual.

The third part of the minor classification change replaces the country name of "St. Kitts (St. Christopher) & Nevis" with "Saint Kitts & Nevis" in accordance with the notice published in the *Postal Bulletin* on February 5, 2015.⁴

This notice satisfies the requirements set forth in 39 C.F.R. § 3020.90. First, in accordance with 39 C.F.R. § 3020.90(a), the changes described should result in the MCS more accurately representing the Postal Service's current offerings. Second, in accordance with 39 C.F.R. § 3020.90(b), the Postal Service is filing this notice more than 15 days prior to the intended effective date of January 17, 2016, for the proposed changes to the MCS. Third, in accordance with 39 C.F.R. § 3020.90(c), the first and second parts of this minor classification change affect only a small volume of mail, and the third part of this minor classification change merely replaces a country name. Therefore, none of the three parts of this minor classification constitute material changes, for purposes of 39 C.F.R. § 3020.80, to the product descriptions of the

³ *Id*.

⁴ IMM Revision: Country Listings Name Changes, *Postal Bulletin,* February 5, 2015, at 15-17.

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algorification change is consistent with the applicable provisions of Title 20, conscielly

products that might be affected. In addition, each of the three parts of this minor

classification change is consistent with the applicable provisions of Title 39, especially

39 C.F.R. § 3020.90, as explained in this paragraph. The Postal Service also believes

that the changes are consistent with 39 U.S.C. § 3642, because no product is being

added or removed from a product list, or transferred between the market-dominant and

competitive products lists.

Thus, the Postal Service hereby submits to the Commission the attached

conforming changes, in legislative format, to the applicable sections of Part D of the

MCS. The Postal Service believes that the changes should be incorporated by the

Commission into the MCS, and therefore requests the Commission approve the

changes.

Respectfully submitted,

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PART D

COUNTRY PRICE LISTS FOR INTERNATIONAL MAIL

4000 COUNTRY PRICE LISTS FOR INTERNATIONAL MAIL

	Market	Competitive						
	Dominant		International				PMI Flat	
			Expedited Services GXG ³ PMEI ⁴ PMEI				<u>Rate</u> Enve-	
	SPFCMI ¹		GAG	FIVIEI	Flat	PMI ⁵	lopes	IPA &
Country		FCPIS ²			Rate		and	ISAL ⁶
					Enve-		Boxes ⁵	
					<u>lope</u> ⁴			<u> </u>
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Bonaire, Sint	9	<u>9</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>	9	<u>8</u>	<u>17</u>
Eustatius, and Saba								
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Curacao	9	9	7	9	8	9	8	13 <u>17</u>
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St. Saint Kitts (St.	9	9	7	9	8	9	8	17
Christopher) & Nevis								
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Sint Maarten	9	9	7	9	8	9	8	13 17
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